

CITY-COUNTY GENERAL ORDINANCE NO.27, 1986  
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AMENDMENT TO THE  
SIGN REGULATIONS  
OF  
MARION COUNTY, INDIANA  
(ORDINANCE 71-AO-4)

Metropolitan Development Commission

Officially adopted:  
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METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
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CITY-COUNTY GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 27, 1986

AN ORDINANCE to amend Marion County Council Ordinance No. 8-1957, as amended, the Zoning Ordinance for Marion County, Indiana, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

Section 1. That Marion County Council Ordinance No. 8-1957, adopted by the Marion County Council on March 28, 1957, and the Sign Regulations of Marion County, Indiana (Ordinance 71-AO-4), adopted as an amendment thereto, pursuant to I.C. 36-7-4, be amended as follows:

A. That Section 14.04-2(2)iii of the Sign Regulations of Marion County, Indiana, be amended to read as follows:

"iii. Except as otherwise provided for signs in the protected areas along interstate highways, freeways and expressways, the minimum distance between advertising signs shall be as specified below and indicated in Diagram 1:

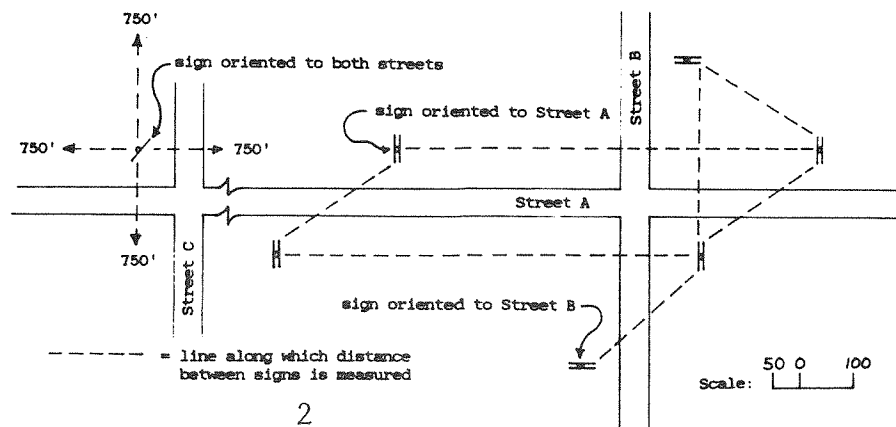
(a) The minimum distance between advertising signs located along and oriented toward the same public street shall be seven hundred and fifty (750) feet, subject to the following:

aa. The spacing requirement shall be applied separately to each side of a public street.

- bb. The spacing requirement shall be applied continuously along the side of a street to all signs oriented toward that street in either direction whether the signs are in the same block or are in different blocks separated by an intersecting side street.
  - cc. For purposes of applying the spacing requirement to advertising signs, pole, roof, wall, ground and projecting signs shall be treated the same, whether double-faced or single-faced.
  - dd. Advertising signs located at the same intersection are not in violation of the minimum spacing requirement specified in (a) because of their nearness to one another if they are located so that their messages are directed toward traffic flowing in different directions.
- (b) In no event shall an advertising sign be closer than two hundred and fifty (250) feet from any other advertising sign regardless of location or orientation.
- (c) The method of measurement of the spacing between advertising signs oriented toward and located long the same side of a street, between signs oriented toward different streets, and between those signs oriented toward but located on opposite sides of the same street, shall be the straight line distance between the nearest point of each sign.

DIAGRAM 1

Measurement of Distance Between Signs  
Oriented Toward Different Streets,  
the Same Street and Both Streets



B. That Section 14.06-2(2) of the Sign Regulations of Marion County, Indiana, be amended to read as follows:

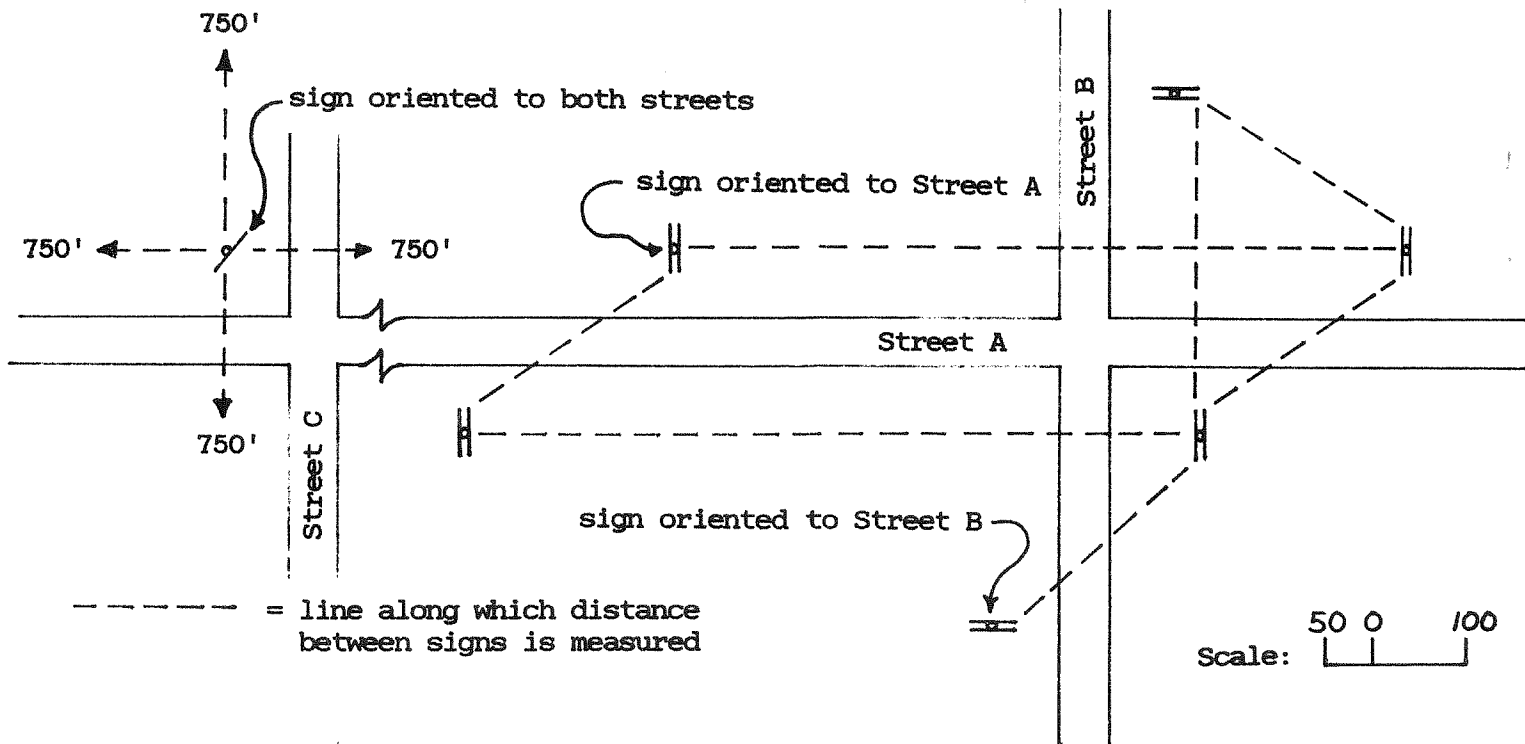
"(2) DISTANCE BETWEEN SIGNS - Except as otherwise provided for signs in the protected areas along interstate highways, freeways and expressways, the minimum distance between advertising signs shall be as specified below and indicated in Diagram 1:

- i. The minimum distance between advertising signs located along and oriented toward the same public street shall be seven hundred and fifty (750) feet, subject to the following:
  - (a) The spacing requirement shall be applied separately to each side of a public street.
  - (b) The spacing requirement shall be applied continuously along the side of a street to all signs oriented toward that street in either direction whether the signs are in the same block or are in different blocks separated by an intersecting side street.
  - (c) For purposes of applying the spacing requirement to advertising signs, pole, roof, wall, ground and projecting signs shall be treated the same, whether double-faced or single-faced.
  - (d) Advertising signs located at the same intersection are not in violation of the minimum spacing requirement specified in i. because of their nearness to one another if they are located so that their messages are directed toward traffic flowing in different directions.
- ii. In no event shall an advertising sign be closer than two hundred and fifty (250) feet from any other advertising sign regardless of location or orientation.

- iii. The method of measurement of the spacing between advertising signs oriented toward and located along the same side of a street, between signs oriented toward different streets, and between those signs oriented toward but located on opposite sides of the same street, shall be the straight line distance between the nearest point of each sign.

DIAGRAM 1

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Section 2. That an emergency exists for the passage of this ordinance and that the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION  
COUNTY, INDIANA

Beurt SerVaas  
President (or Presiding Officer)

Date: March 24, 1986

Attest: Beverly S. Rippy